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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION OF AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION
SYSTEMS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S
CENTURY SHERIFF'S STATION
(SECOND DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The city of Lynwood (City) intends to donate three vehicle mounted Federal Signal Corporation Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) systems to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (Department) Century Sheriff's Station.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and instruct the Mayor to accept the donation of three ALPR systems to include: three dual lens cameras, custom camera cabling, ALPR processor, GPS module, all required ALPR software, and mounting equipment, valued at \$19,985 each with a total value of all systems donated of \$59,955. The systems are for exclusive use in County-owned vehicles (vehicles) operated by Department personnel contracted by the City.
2. Instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to send a letter of appreciation to Roger Haley, City Manager of Lynwood, 11330 Bullis Road, Lynwood, California 90262, for the generous donation.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The City wishes to donate three new ALPR systems to be integrated into the Department's laptop Mobile Digital Computer platforms in patrol vehicles. The systems will be installed in vehicles operated by Department personnel contracted by the City.

The ALPR system is comprised of a built-in camera, which points in all directions. The camera continuously scans and records vehicle license plate numbers, which alerts deputy personnel of stolen vehicles, wanted or missing persons. Each license plate number scanned is recorded into a database with date, time, GPS location, and photograph of the driver. The use of this system has assisted station detectives in solving numerous crimes and locating several missing persons. The ALPR system has proven to be a valuable tool in our effort to impact crime and keep the community safe.

The City is extremely pleased with the results they have seen with the use of the ALPR system. Arrests of wanted suspects and the recovery of stolen vehicles have dramatically increased. The City recognizes the success of the ALPR program and elected to be an active participant in assisting the Department in keeping the City safe, by donating three ALPR systems to Century Sheriff's Station.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Acceptance of this donation supports the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness; and Goal 5, Public Safety. The equipment will enhance both the quality and productivity of services provided by Century Sheriff's Station.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no additional cost, other than maintenance after the initial three years. The annual maintenance cost of each ALPR unit is \$2,000 per year, which will be paid for by funds allocated by the Department for continued maintenance costs.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

State law authorizes the acceptance of gifts for specific County purposes in Government Code Section 25355. This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There is no impact on current County services.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please return an adopted copy of the letter to the Department's Communications and Fleet Management Bureau.

Sincerely,



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Sheriff

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